

## House Resolution 1828

By: Representative Ralston of the 7<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Gilmer High School's Coach Herb Horton; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Coach Herb Horton has long been recognized for his superior coaching skills,  
4 his dedication to challenging the future leaders of Georgia, and his incredible devotion to his  
5 players; and

6 WHEREAS, this Gilmer High School basketball coach has led his Lady Cat teams to three  
7 region championships, four subregion crowns, and has been named Coach of the Year by the  
8 Georgia Athletic Coaches Association three times; and

9 WHEREAS, on January 30, 2009, Coach Horton reached an incredible career milestone of  
10 400 wins with the Lady Cats' defeat over White County High School; and

11 WHEREAS, Coach Horton began his coaching career at Gilmer High School in 1978 and  
12 led the Lady Cats for 15 seasons before coaching at Dade County and Eastside High Schools;  
13 and

14 WHEREAS, he returned to Gilmer High School in 2005, with the completion of the  
15 2009-2010 season marking his 20th season as head coach of the Lady Cats; and

16 WHEREAS, during his years at Gilmer High School, Coach Horton has coached eight  
17 all-state players and seven honorable mentions while winning 20 or more games in a season  
18 nine times; and

19 WHEREAS, Coach Horton's teams have set eight individual game records and 11 seasonal  
20 records, appeared in the Final Four in 1992, and tied a GHS record for wins in a season with  
21 23 in 2009; and

22 WHEREAS, he brings out the superior athletic ability of his players and serves as a role  
23 model and mentor to his teams, sending 24 players to college on basketball scholarships; and

24 WHEREAS, in recognition of his contributions to the students in this state, it is abundantly  
25 fitting and proper for this body to honor the extraordinary commitment and accomplishments  
26 of this outstanding individual.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
28 the members of this body recognize Coach Herb Horton for his over three decades of service  
29 to the future leaders of this state, commend his commitment to the student-athletes of  
30 Georgia, and congratulate him upon reaching an incredible career milestone of 400 wins.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
32 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Coach Herb Horton.